Food Science (Minor)

To see more about what you will learn in this program, visit the Learning Outcomes website (https://apps.oirp.ncsu.edu/pgas/)

The Food Science minor is designed to provide students with important food science principles and concepts. It should give a competitive edge to individuals seeking employment in the food, pharmaceutical and related industries as a chemist, microbiologist, engineer, nutritionist, business specialist, or technical writer. This minor will provide technical information to improve the student’s knowledge and understanding of food and its manufacture. While a comprehensive coverage of Food Science cannot be accomplished in 15 credit hours, flexibility in developing the minor permits tailoring each program to complement a student’s major. An introductory course (FS 201 Introduction to Food Science) is required, but other courses at the 200, 300 and 400 level may be selected build on the basic discipline courses in the student’s major.

Admissions

Students may declare their desire to complete the Food Science minor by contacting Dr. Harris as listed below. Students will be assigned an advisor to help them in selecting coursework for the minor.

Certification

Dr. Harris will certify the minor prior to graduation. The minor must be completed no later than the semester in which the student expects to graduate from his or her degree program. Paperwork for certification should be completed no later than during the registration period for the student’s final semester at NC State.

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Plan Requirements

• Completion of a minimum of 15 credits
• A grade of ‘C’ or better.
• The minor must include one introductory course (FS 201 Introduction to Food Science), and 12 additional hours at the 200, 300 or 400 level.

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Total Hours 15

No more than 1 credit of experimental investigation taken as FS 493 Research Experience in Food Science may be used toward the minor.